

WALLER COUNTY

Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III County Judge

DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, beginning in December, 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated as COVID—19, was detected in mainland China, and has since spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the world Health Organization declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic on March 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout Waller County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS:

- 1. That a state of disaster is declared for Waller County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108 (a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. That the County's Emergency Management Plan has been implemented.
- 3. That this state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days of the date hereof, unless the same is continued by consent of the Commissioners Court of the County of Waller, Texas.
- 4. Pursuant to section 418.108 (c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of the local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- 5. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, the Waller County Judge, Office of Emergency Management, and Local Health Authority strongly urges compliance with the following:

All gatherings should adhere to the most current recommendations promulgated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Organizers (whether groups of individuals) are strongly urged to cancel or postpone in-person events that expect a gathering of fifty (50) or more people.

6. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately.

ORDERED this 18th day of March, 2020 at 12:21 a.m. 6.m

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Waller County Judge